

DDS Legislative Update – February 24, 2012

Insurance Committee Public Hearing – Tuesday, February 28, 2012

DDS Testimony before the Appropriations Committee, the Program Review and Investigations Committee and the Commerce Committee

The **Insurance and Real Estate Committee** is holding a public hearing on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 on the Department of Developmental Services' bill [S.B. No. 205](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE BIRTH-TO-THREE PROGRAM.**

This bill allows the Birth to Three System to count insurance payments for Birth to Three services towards the federal IDEA mandate for “maintenance of effort” and establish a new baseline of state and local expenditures for early intervention services in the next federal fiscal year pursuant to federal regulations. Please see below for the public hearing information.

The Insurance and Real Estate Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 1:00 P.M. in Room 2D of the Legislative Office Building (LOB). Please submit 35 copies of written testimony to Committee staff two hours prior to the start of the hearing in Room 2800 of the LOB. **Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 11:00 A.M. in Room 2800 of the LOB.** The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. **Bills will be heard in the order listed in the Bulletin.** Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee.

H.B. No. 5231 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING AUTOMOTIVE GLASS WORK.

H.B. No. 5227 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE UNDERWRITING GUIDELINES.

H.B. No. 5230 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS CHANGES TO PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE STATUTES.

S.B. No. 203 (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING PAYMENT FOR DIMINUTION OF VALUE UNDER AN AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY.

S.B. No. 202 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR HEARING AIDS.

S.B. No. 205 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE BIRTH-TO-THREE PROGRAM.

DDS TESTIMONY

DDS recently testified before three legislative committees: **Appropriations** on the Governor's proposed midterm budget adjustments bill **H.B. No. 5014** - An Act Making Adjustments to State Expenditures and Revenues for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013; **Program Review and Investigations** on **H.B. No. 5036** - An Act Implementing the Recommendations of the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee Concerning the Provision of Selected Services for Persons with Intellectual Disability; and **Commerce** on **H.B. No. 5105** - An Act Concerning the Job Expansion Tax Credit Program and Individuals Receiving Certain Services from the Departments of Mental Health and Addiction Services and Developmental Services. Below are the links to the three sets of DDS testimony.

[February 22, 2012 – DDS Testimony Before the Program Review and Investigations Committee](#)

[February 22, 2011 – DDS Budget Testimony Before the Appropriations Committee](#)

[February 21, 2012 – DDS Testimony Before the Commerce Committee](#)